

# **District H News for You!**

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Carlos then worked for Council Member Melissa Noriega prior to joining the District H Team. Carlos serves as the Director of Public Affairs for Council Member Edward Gonzalez, where he works to improve City public policy, transparency, and efficiency.

#### Dear Neighbor:

Thank you for your support and for taking the time to look into this month's newsletter. There are many projects and initiatives taking place in and around the district. I hope that you find this newsletter beneficial to you, and urge you to forward this on to any neighbors, family, or friends you feel may be interested.

Please remember that you can contact my office at anytime, and we will be more than glad to assist you. District H is in good hands, and we look forward to helping you!

# **You're Invited to Public Safety 101!**

Public Safety 101 is an event that will give you an insight about public safety policies, crime prevention topics, and how to take precautionary measures to ensure you and your family's safety.

Sometimes we need to be reminded about simple things, such as locking doors, not leaving valuables in plain sight, and simply staying aware of our surroundings.

Some of the participating agencies are:

- Houston Police Department
- Houston Fire Department
- Harris County Sheriff's Office
  - Crime Stoppers Houston
    - METRO Police
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving
- (CERT) Community Emergency Response Teams

Your attendance at the event will be greatly appreciated, and very beneficial. The workshops that are going to be provided range from a wide variety of services, such as fire safety, community emergency responses team efforts, investigative procedures, neighborhood watch program information, and METRO Rail Safety.

Complete at least 5 sessions and you will receive a Certificate of Completion from Council Member Gonzalez and LECJ High School - we hope to see you there!

#### **Event Details:**

When - Saturday, November 14th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Where - Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice High School, 4701 Dickson

### **National Night Out: Thank you District H!**

Our office wanted to extend a sincere "Thank You" to all organizations, civic associations, and church groups for hosting a National Night Out function. It is important that neighbors come together, and watch out for each other.



This year, the council member and staff were able to stop to over 15 different events.



Thank you once again, and we look forward to seeing you next time!

### **Upcoming Events:**

Thursday, November 5th

Hardy Yards MSD Public Hearing, High School 1101 Quitman 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

> Wednesday, November 11th

Veteran's Day,

Saturday, November 14th

Public Safety 101 Event, High School for Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice 4701 Dickson St. 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 19th

W. Leo Daniels Towers "Neighborhood Center" Open House 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

> Saturday, December 5th

Go Neighborhoods! and Signage Presentation Event Moody Park 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### **Hurricane Preparedness: Season Isn't Over Yet!**

Please remember that hurricane season is still underway, until November 30th! Remember to always be prepared and have safety precautionary measures in place, to keep you and your family safe.

If you want to get involved in the emergency response process, please click here to find out more about the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. You too, can make a difference, and become a CERT member today!

There are several basic precautions you should take before each hurricane season begins. Check these items off as you complete them.

	Learn the storm surge history and possibilities in	 Keep your immunizations for tetanus up to date.
	your area.	 Make sure your house is in good repair, especially
_	_ Know the elevation of your property.	the roof and windows.
_	Know the evacuation zone in which you live.	 Trim back dead wood from trees.
_	_ Decide on a destination ahead of time and make	 Make sure you have a good portable radio,
	sure everyone knows that destination.	several
	_ Have a point of contact (telephone number)	 Buy materials to board your windows and doors.
	away from the danger area where relatives can	Have it cut to size and identified as to where it will
	call to check on you, i.e., relative or friend.	be used before hand.
	Review your insurance policies, homeowners	 Purchase a can of lime to sterilize garbage and
	does not cover flood damage, flashlights, spare	refuse.
	batteries and bulbs.	 Keep family car in good repair.
	Purchase flood insurance from your agent	

# **Coming Soon:**

### **GO Near Northside! Celebration and Resource Fair**

On Dec. 5 the Near Northside will celebrate the completion of its community signage project with a celebration and resource fair at Moody Park, 3725 Fulton Road. The project is the result of a partnership between Avenue CDC GO Neighborhoods, the Greater Northside Management District and many other neighborhood agencies and representatives.

Near Northside residents, community leaders and volunteers will gather at Moody Park the morning of Dec. 5 at 7:30am where they will divide into teams to implement community service projects around five neighborhood signs. Projects will include tree plantings, home improvements and general clean-up efforts. The Bayou Preservation Association will also be on hand to assist in a clean-up of Little White Oak Bayou. After the projects are completed, volunteers will return to the park to participate in a resource fair, which is open to the entire community. Representatives from area nonprofit and government agencies will be on hand to provide information about their various programs. To volunteer or to get more information, contact Jenifer Wagley at jenniferw@avenucdc.org.

### **District H Office provides Heights Arson Outreach**

The District H staff joined forces with Congresswoman Jackson Lee and Heights residents recently, to conduct outreach in the Heights community about the recent arson

Again, Crime Stoppers Houston is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for any information that leads to an arrest of the persons responsible for these events. All tipsters remain anonymous, and don't forget to call 713-222-TIPS if you know of any information.

We ask that you do the following three preventive measures:

- Stay aware of your surroundings, be sure that access to your property is secure and well lit.
- Watch out for each other, and have open communication with your neighbors; and
- If you witness any suspicious activity, promptly contact the proper authorities.

Also, you can contact the HFD Arson Division at 713.865,9000. Please stay safe and vigilant.



### Council Member Gonzalez reads to children at Travis Elementary:

Council Member Gonzalez was recently invited to read to a group of elementary school kids at Travis Elementary School. The event was a part of a kindergarten readers program called "Jump for Start Reading".

### **Helpful Contact Information:**

311 or 713-837-0311 City Help Line: United Way Help Line:

Crisis of Houston Central: 713-468-5463 Mayor's Citizen Assistance Office: 832-393-0947 Police (non-emergency): 713-884-3131 Mayor's Anti-Gang Office: 832-393-0931

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